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Letter dated 25 May 2007 from the Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

I have the honour to submit the attached national report containing information on the steps taken by Germany with a view to implementing Security Council resolutions 1737 (2006) and 1747 (2007) (see annex).

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Annex to the letter dated 25 May 2007 from the Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

National report of Germany pursuant to Security Council resolution 1747 (2007) of 24 March 2007

Pursuant to paragraph 8 of Security Council resolution 1747 (2007), Germany has the honour to submit the following detailed information on steps taken by it with a view to a prompt and comprehensive implementation of the provisions of paragraphs 2, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of said resolution:

Operative paragraph 2: German authorities continued to observe through all available means, including the visa regime, which remains in force for all Iranian nationals, applications for entry or transit passages of all individuals listed in the annex to Security Council resolution 1737 (2006) and annex I to Security Council resolution 1747 (2007). Meanwhile, the European Union has adopted Common Positions following both Security Council resolutions, which impose a travel ban on all listed individuals.

In conclusion, none of the listed individuals was reported to have travelled into or through German territory since our last report and the adoption of Security Council resolution 1747 (2007), respectively.

Operative paragraph 4: Germany has, effective 29 March 2007, temporarily prohibited access to the funds, financial assets and economic resources of the individuals and institutions listed in annex I to Security Council resolution 1747 (2007), and has taken measures to prevent funds, financial assets and economic resources from being made available to individuals and institutions listed in annex I to Security Council resolution 1747 (2007).

These provisional measures have meanwhile been replaced by the European Community Regulation adopted on 20 April 2007, which is directly applicable in all EU member States. Germany has notified the sanctions Committee established pursuant to Security Council resolution 1737 (2006) of its intention to grant exemptions for certain payments by the Frankfurt branch office of Bank Sepah Iran under the stipulations of operative paragraphs 13a and 15 of Security Council resolution 1737 (2006).

Operative paragraph 5: The European Union Common Position adopted on 23 April 2007 has prohibited the procurement of arms from Iran. Since before the adoption of this Common Position Germany has maintained a strict national control regime on arms imports. Under this regime, no arms or related materiel from Iran have been imported.

German shipping agents and airline operators have been informed about the embargo on transporting such items on German flag vessels or aircraft.

Operative paragraph 6: The European Union Common Position adopted on 23 April 2007 has extended the limited restrictions on arms exports to Iran of operative paragraph 6 to an embargo on all items included in the Common Military List of the European Union, i.e. arms and related materiel of all types.

These restrictions will be implemented by an amendment to Germany's Foreign Trade and Payments Regulation, which will make infringing upon these provisions a criminal offence. Since before the adoption of this Common Position, within the above-mentioned national control regime on the export of arms and related materiel, the German authorities have not granted any licences for the export of arms or related materiel to Iran.

Operative paragraph 7: Germany has not entered into new commitments for grants, financial assistance and concessional loans to the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran since the adoption of Security Council resolution 1747 (2007). Germany remains engaged in a reconstruction project for a girls' vocational training centre and 10 day-care centres in the city of Bam following the earthquake that hit the town in December 2003. This project, of a clearly humanitarian and development-oriented character, is supported by Germany with €2 million.